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SUBJECT: RESEARCH VESSEL CLEARANCE REQUESTS

REF: (A) STATE A-579 (B) NEW DELHI 2948

1. APPRECIATE TIMELY RESPONSE TO REF (A). PROCEDURE
OUTLINED PARA 5 REFTEL B, WHEREBY EMBASSY SUBMITS NOTE TO
MEA, MEA CIRCULATES NOTE TO CONCERNED GOI TECHNICAL
MINISTRIES, AND THEN MEA REPORTS BACK TO EMBASSY, WILL BE
DOCUMENTED AS YOUR PROCEDURE FOR HANDLING CLEARANCES.
OTHER ADVICE PROVIDED IN REFTEL B FOR PRELIMINARY ACTIONS
AND INFO TO BE INCLUDED IN CLEARANCE REQUEST IS ALSO
NOTED AS WELL AS NECESSARY FOLLOW-UP BY EMBASSY.

2. EXAMPLE OF DIPLOMATIC NOTE, E.G. ATLANTIS II CLEARANCE
REQUEST OF 1977, AND GOI RESPONSE IS STILL REQUIRED FOR
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OUR ANALYSIS. PLEASE FOWARD ASAP.

3. COMMENTING ON THE JOINT WORKSHOP ON OCEANOGRAPHY
PROPOSED FOR LATE 1978, IT SEEMS T'AT ANY DISCUSSIONS ON
COOPERATIVE SCIENCE PROGRAMS WOULD HAVE TO PROCEED UNDER
THE ASSUMPTION THAT IF THE SCIENCE IS MUTUALLY BENEFICIAL
TO BOTH COUNTRIES AND THE US AND INDIA AGREE TO UNDERTAKE

JOINT PROGRAMS, THEN THE CLEARANCE REQUESTS ALSO, WILL

HAVE TO BE FACILITATED. AT THE MOMENT THE WORKSHOP IS ORIENTED TO ADDRESS SCIENTIFIC PROGRAMS ONLY AND RESEARCH CLEARANCES DO NOT FIGURE ON ITS AGENDA. THIS ISSUE WOULD NATURALLY ARISE DURING CONVERSATIONS ON AN INFORMAL BASIS AMONG SCIENTISTS OF BOTH COUNTRIES. WE WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR GUIDANCE AS TO WHETHER THIS LOW-KEY APPROACH WOULD ADVANCE PROSPECTS FOR CLEARANCES (E.G. THROUGH A JOINT STATEMENT ENDORSING EASIER CLEARANCE PROCEDURES) OR WHETHER A MORE FINAL INITIATIVE EITHER BEFORE OR IN THE COURSE OF THE WORKSHOP SHOULD BE MADE KEEPING IN MIND THAT THE U.S. DELEGATION WILL CONSIST ONLY OF SCIENTISTS.

4. ASSUME PARA 2 IV SHOULD BE CHEMICAL TRACERS NOT TRACES.
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